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Chairman's Fitness Challenge 2015: third-quarter results

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The third-quarter Challenge "Play Ball," which ran from April to May, was a tremendous success. Participating employees collectively accumulated 19,273,797 points during the quarter. These are impressive results!

Congratulations to all participating departments and offices, and to all our competitors. Thank you for your continued support of this fitness initiative.

	FIRST	**SECOND**	**THIRD**
Division 1: 19 or fewer employees	Board of Criminal Justice and Austin Executive Administration	Dayton District Parole Office	Executive Director's Office
Division 2: 20 to 39 employees	Prison Jail Operations - CID	Office of the General Counsel	Parole Division Region III
Division 3: 40 to 99 employees	State Counsel for Offenders	Health Services Division	Administrative Review and Risk Management Division
Division 4: 100 to 199 employees	Information Technology Division	Correctional Training Administration	Glossbrenner Unit - CID
Division 5: 200 to 299 employees	Cole State Jail - CID	Facilities Division	Boyd Unit – CID
Division 6: 300 plus employees	Manufacturing and Logistics Division	Jester IV Unit - CID	Clements Unit – CID
Division 7: Windham School District (WSD)	WSD West Texas Region	WSD North Texas Region	WSD South Texas Region

Gold and Platinum Challenges

During the third quarter, Gold Challenge participants had to earn 1,000 points during each week of the challenge, and Platinum Challenge participants were required to earn at least 2,500 points per week. Dustin Lafon, a Correctional Training Academy sergeant, earned the most points among the agency's 124 Platinum Challengers, and Gail Sparacino-Garcia, a Windham School District counselor at the Lychner State Jail, was the point leader among 276 Gold Challenge participants. Due to the large increase in staff participation, complete lists of successful Gold and Platinum participants have been posted separately on the TDCJ website. ●